

**AD HOC COMMITTEE
CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE**

Special Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Monique Burns, Bill Merson, Dave Arzt, Jeanne Burns, Rodger Hosig

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Houghtaling, WERM President and Mark Mickiewicz, Crystal Lake Association President

CALL TO ORDER: Dave Arzt, Ad Hoc Chairmen called meeting to order at 7:43 p.m. at Ellington Town Hall, Ellington, Ct.

CITIZEN FORUM: Mark stated he was as this meeting for informational purposes.

MILFOIL REMOVAL UPDATES:

Dave Arzt noted the two letters of recognition received by the Town regarding the work that has been performed by the Ad Hoc Crystal Lake Milfoil Committee.

Jason Houghtaling gave an over view of George Knoecklein's milfoil survey post milfoil removal. Approximately 99% of all the milfoil reported in George's original survey has been removed. Spring work should include cleaning the rest of the milfoil in the pond to prevent any future infestation. The stream that enters the lake from the pond is filled with milfoil and any heavy storm runoff will re-infest the lake.

Jason also stated that one of the biggest problems for the lake moving forward is the large amount of garbage sitting on the bottom of the lake. Jason recommended trying to regulate the boat sizes entering the lake and informing citizens who enter the lake that bottles and garbage should be taken off the boat not dumped in the lake.

Dave Arzt and Jason Houghtaling will be giving a presentation at the next CLA meeting to be held on October 7, 2009.

COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

Dave stated that he has had discussions with Mike Stupinski regarding the possibility of the Town of Stafford contributing funds for the clean-up and asked Jason to provide the committee with a percentage of milfoil removed in the Town of Stafford and what's left.

A final report needs to be developed and submitted to the Board of selectmen. The report should include but not be limited to the following:

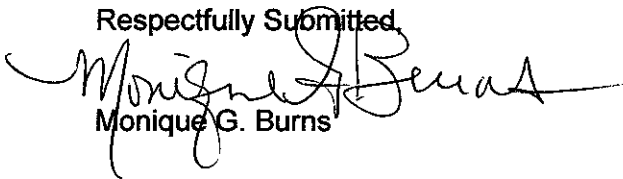
1. Action plan for the future.
2. Try to provide estimate of growth.
3. The Adhoc committee moving forward should develop an estimate of future funds required to continue milfoil maintenance.
4. Development of a pamphlet for hand out at the boat launch to educate people about the work that was done here and how to prevent more infestation in the future.

5. Install a sign at the coves regarding NO PROPELLERS in coves.
6. Provide documentation about what work has been done and what's left to do.
7. Strong recommendations about monitoring garbage and boat inspection to minimize future infestation from boats.

ADJOURNMENT:

**MOVED (R. HOSIG), SECONDED (D.ARZT) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN
THIS MEETING AT 9:28 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Monique G. Burns". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Monique G. Burns